

Joe's Farm Spring Transplant Varieties

Name	Description
Arugula - Astro	Distinctively flavored small salad green. Astro is easier to bunch, more vigorous, and leafier than most arugulas.
Broccoli - Eastern Magic	68 days. Eastern Magic makes dark green very high and dense dome heads. Eastern Magic has good heat tolerance and looks best from the mid-Atlantic up through Canada (areas with long days in summer). It is used for crown cut and fresh-cut florets.
Broccoli - Lieutenant	58 days. A nice improvement in the "first early" slot, Lieutenant is uniform maturing with a medium-large, smooth, semi-domed, dark green head. It can be used in spring and fall. Improvements include better holding and less likelihood of problems, such as leaves growing in the heads.
Cauliflower - Alcala	69 days. Alcala has a tight and complete wrap when harvested at a smaller (12 count). Heads can get larger but will then need to be tied. Heads are high round and dense. It has good heat tolerance and widely adapted.
Cauliflower - Twister	73 days. Twister is widely adapted both regionally and planting date, working from spring through late fall and in winter in the South. Twister has a good heat tolerance coupled with a big vigorous plant, with distinctive twisted leaves. The wrap is so good and large that you will not likely have to band it.
Cabbage - Bronco	80 days. Bronco leads our fresh market cabbage seed sales due to reliably round, dense heads with a fancy, wavy wrap, perfect for boxing. The erect compact plant produces short-cored 2-5 lb. heads.
Cabbage - Caraflex	68 days. Caraflex, if crowded to an 8" row spacing, will make a smaller slender head that resembles romaine lettuce. It increases in girth with wider spacing. This type has excellent flavor and is a traditional first green of spring in many parts of Europe. It stores up to 10 weeks.
Cabbage - Early Bird Red	
Celery - Tango	80 days. Early maturing Tango has smoother, less fibrous stalks than most other celery varieties, resulting in excellent, tender and sweet eating quality. It has the paler color often associated with great flavor!
Collards - Top Bunch	70 days. Top Bunch is back with version 2.0, featuring improved uniformity and seed supply reliability. It has the appearance of Georgia Southern with excellent regrowth, vigor and productivity.
Fennel - Dragon	75 days. Dragon features medium-fast growth, makes a very round bulb and is very slow to bolt. Like Orion, it can be grown in a wide range of growing conditions.
Kale - Black Jack	Black Jack hybrid lacinato kale offers the fanciest appearance for bunching, with narrow, uniform, erect, and very savoyed leaves. The color is nearly black. A neat, rosette-shaped plant habit with uniform sized leaves make it fast and easy to harvest. The plant is less susceptible to wind damage compared to OP types.
Kale - Redbor	55 days. Tall, dark red-purple version of Winterbor. Salad bar garnish, shipping or garden ornamental. In warmer weather, the color is pretty but less intense becoming pure dark-violet in cold weather.
Kale - Winterbor	55 days. Tall, frost resistant hybrid. Excellent late fall harvest, over-winters well, easy to strip. Uniform leaf size and shape.
Lettuce - New Red Fire Red Leaf	55 days. Red leaf lettuce with heat tolerance. New Red Fire is relatively slow, but produces uniform, heavy heads of brightly colored, frilly leaves
Lettuce - Solid King Green Romaine	75 days. Solid King is a very versatile romaine variety with a high tolerance to tipburn and fringe-burn even under extreme heat. It has excellent bolting tolerance Corky Root resistance. Solid King has a medium-glossy green plant and excellent interior texture. It has a smooth solid midrib. This variety has impressive weight and as such is often used for processing. It is used for fresh, whole leaf, hearts, and/or processor market.
Lettuce - Bluerock Green Romaine	Bluerock features beautiful medium green glossy blistered leaves and a short core. It is widely adapted, has good heat tolerance, and an erect habit.
Lettuce - Calshot Red Romaine	Calshot Romaine Lettuce is a red romaine variety with large, full-sized heads. This romaine lettuce variety produces heads with leaves that are red to bronze at the top, then fade to green at the base of the lettuce head. Calshot Romaine Lettuce has an excellent shelf-life and holds well in cold-storage after harvesting. It can be grown for the full, mature heads or used as a baby leaf romaine lettuce. Full-sized heads are compact for easy harvesting. This is a great variety for making bright, colorful Caesar salads or lettuce wraps.

Lettuce - Nancy Green Butter	The medium green leaves are unusually thick and crisp, so the head is sturdy and holds well. The large, well-packed heart has excellent butterhead quality.
Lettuce - Sangria Red Butter	This red butterhead is the perfect combination of a gentle red exterior, a nice full head, and no unattractive red streaks or blotches inside the head.
Lettuce - Sala Nova	An all-organic mix of diverse colors, shapes, and textures.
Leek Slips - King Richard	75 days. Remarkable earliness and size. Beautiful full-sized leeks. In favorable soil and culture, the white shanks are over a foot long to the first leaf. Medium-green leaves with full habit. For baby leeks, plant closely (40 seeds/ft.) and harvest at finger size. While not hardy enough for overwintering, they will withstand medium-heavy frost (32° to 20°F/0° to -7°C) without losing their healthy appearance
Onion - Red Candy	One flavorful and pretty onion. Red Candy's glossy-skinned red beauty adds color and sparkle to salads and recipes calling for a sweet, mild onion. The deep-red globe-shaped onion, with beautiful inner rings, delights with its remarkable sweetness. Matures at 95 days to 3".
Onion - Yellow Candy	Widely adapted, intermediate-day onion. Slightly flattened yellow onion has potential for large size, especially when sown for overwintering in its optimum 33-40° latitude range. A Walla Walla-type for growing farther south.
Swiss Chard Charbell	28-65 Days. Charbell was bred for cleaner, loftier, more colorful baby leaves, but we found it also performs very well at full size. Strong Cercospora resistance and upright habit for a healthy looking bunch. Vigorous plants with good bolt resistance and wide petioles. Unlike traditional magenta chard, Charbell is very bolt resistant. A premium baby leaf variety for its fast growth; brilliant, deep magenta stems and veins; and heavy, textured leaves that create loft in salad mixes.
Swiss Chard Bright Lights	55 days. Nicely savoyed and glossy green or bronze leaves with stems of many colors including gold, pink, orange, red, and white with bright, pastel, and multicolored variations. The flavor is milder than ordinary chard, with each color a bit different. Direct seed or grow from transplant which allows separating out the individual colors. Consistent growth rate, leaf shape and texture, and strong bolt resistance across all colors makes this a superior mix. Suitable for production year-round, but somewhat less frost hardy than other chards. The late New Zealand amateur breeder John Eaton developed Bright Lights, and Johnny's selects and maintains the different color stocks and produces the seeds. AAS winner. Decorticated (rubbed) seeds. Also available with NOP-compliant pelleting.
Spinach Sioux	Sioux is proving to be widely adapted, looking great everywhere we have seen it. It is dark green, with very thick, supple leaves and a medium savoy. It will grow full sized if needed, although it is mostly used for baby leaf. This is your best choice for warm and hot weather.